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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: AMODE, AFSP, APER

SUBJECT: AMERICAN POSITON REDUCTIONS

- 1. DURING RECENT MONTHS YOU HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN MODE REVIEWS LEADING TO AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN IMPLEMENTING PRESIDENT CARTER'S DIRECTIVE THAT THE WORLDWIDE AMERICAN OVERSEAS PRESENCE BE REDUCED BY SEVERAL HUNDRED POSITIONS. YOUR SUPPORT HAS BEEN MOST GRATIFYING.
- 2. I MUST NOW SEEK YOUR FURTHER UNDERSTANDING WITH SPECIAL REGARD TO REDUCING A NUMBER OF STATE DEPARTMENT POSITIONS TO SATISFY NEW DEMANDS WHICH HAVE BEEN LEVIED UPON ME. SECRETARY VANCE, FINDING IT NECESSARY TO STAFF HIGH UNCLASSIFIED

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PRIORITY PROGRAMS, HAS ASKED ME TO RELINQUISH SEVENTEEN ARA POSITIONS. ADDITIONALLY, TO GIVE NEW IMPETUS AND DIRECTION TO PRESIDENT CARTER'S DESIRE TO PROMOTE POLITICAL STABILITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE CARIBBEAN AREA, I MUST REPROGRAM OTHER ARA POSITIONS.

3. ACCORDINGLY, AFTER CAREFUL REVIEW OF YOUR MODE RESPON-

SES, YOUR ZBB AND GORM PROPOSALS, AND AFTER CONSULTING WITH CONCERNED BUREAU OFFICIALS AND M/MO, I PLAN TO WITHDRAW FROM YOUR MISSION COMPLEMENT CERTAIN AMERICAN RESOURCES. IN MOST

CASES, WITHDRAWAL WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL AT LEAST THE END OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, WHILE IN A FEW CASES I HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION SOMEWHAT LONGER.

4. THE CUTS WHICH I RELUCTANTLY, BUT OF NECESSITY, MAKE IN YOUR STAFF ARE:

LA PAZ: SECRETARY, FS/MC

POSITION 50-100

INCUMBENT: VACANT

5. POSITION WAS EFFECTIVELY ABOLISHED UPON DEPARTURE OF PREVIOUS INCUMBENT. VANCE

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